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Dear Sir:

In support of the Response and Request for Continued Examination filed on January 5, 2006 in reply to the Office Action of July 5, 2005 for the above-referenced matter, I hereby declare as follows:

1. My name is Nissim Benvenisty, M.D., Ph.D. I am a Professor at The Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Israel, in the Department of Genetics. I was formerly the Vice Chair of the Institute of Life Sciences at The Hebrew University, and have been a visiting Professor in the Department of Genetics at Harvard University in Boston, MA, among other positions. I have been awarded numerous prizes and fellowships, including the Teva Prize for excellent research in stem cells in 2003, the Herbert Cohn Chair in Cancer Research during 1999, the Hestrin Prize in Molecular Biology